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1 ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

2 An adapter having an L-shaped housing is configured for removable attachment to
3 a conventional PDA. The adapter is electrically coupled with the PDA and includes a laser
4 or other light source configured to selectively emanate a light beam that can be modified into
5 a digital signal. The digital signal can be received by a photo detector on a computer for
6 facilitating a download of data from the PDA to the computer. The light beam from the laser
7 can also be used as a presentation pointer. The adapter further includes a photo detector
8 which is selectively positioned relative to the laser so that the light beam from the laser can
9 be reflected off a bar code and received by the photo detector. The reflected signal is then
10 converted to a digital signal which is then forwarded to the PDA for storage or access of
11 other corresponding information.

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